

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
Geography Division, ORR

Project Initiation Memorandum

Project No. 61.1579

Date: 3 October 1960

1. Subject of Proposed Project: Possible Location of Atomic Energy Plants in Communist China.
2. Statement of Problem: To analyze the geography of Communist China in accordance with specific criteria supplied by the requester, in order to identify and delineate the most likely areas for location of reactor sites, gaseous diffusion plants, and nuclear weapons test sites. See attached request.
3. Requester: OSI
4. Responsible Analyst: [REDACTED], CG/P
5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired From:
  - a. Other Divisions of the G Area: Map to be prepared by D/G from manuscript copy supplied by CG/P.
  - b. Other parts of CIA: Coordination with N/FP on power supply information; source materials from CIA Library, IR, PIC, and Special Register.
6. Estimated Man Hours in D/G: 80 to 100
7. Requested Completion Date: 17 October 1960
8. Probable Form of Final Publication: CIA/RR GP Limited
9. Recommendations Regarding Distribution of Finished Report: Recommended distribution to agencies represented on JAEIC.
10. Comments: This project is to provide support to the requester in the preparation of the OSI contribution to NIE 13-2-60 on the Communist Chinese atomic energy program.

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